

Remarks

The present application is under Final Rejection. The case has been placed in condition for allowance, complying with Examiner's comments of record. The Claims have been amended to cancel Claim 16, which was objected to as being improperly dependent on a subsequent Claim (19), thus lacking antecedent basis. Claim 16 has been reintroduced without further amendment as new Claim 20.

Previous Claim 16 (now new Claim 20) and Claim 19 stand rejected under the doctrine of nonstatutory double patenting over application 10/558,588, now issued US Patent 7,432,280 B2. Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer, thus obviating this rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

It is believed that all objects and rejections have been overcome or obviated to bring the present application into condition for allowance. Timely acceptance and passage to allowance is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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